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FCC 15-154, Improving Wireless Emergency Alerts and Community-Initiated  
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The Wyoming Department of Transportation (WYDOT) thanks the Federal Communications Commission for the opportunity to comment on its proposed rulemaking, "Improving Wireless Emergency Alerts and Community-Initiated Alerting." As the manager of Wyoming's intelligent transportation systems, WYDOT conveys Wireless Emergency Alerts (WEAs) throughout the state.

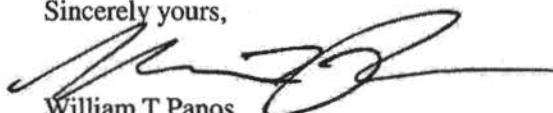
In the department's experience, devices and services that don't allow exceeding a character limit on text messages still exist. Some of our "WyoRoad" messages, for instance, are still truncated on some cell phones. We also caution that reading and analyzing longer messages can contribute to longer instances of distracted driving, something that WYDOT endeavors vigorously to discourage.

Uniform Resource Locators (URLs) can be difficult to work with on cell phones. Repeated manual entry of URLs is also difficult and distracting. URLs do provide a method for delivering better information, but browsing while driving is something that is against state law in most jurisdictions and should not be promoted.

Logging of the alerts could also be a challenge, depending on the carrier's requirements for logging them.

Finally, some emergency situations and events have the potential to clog a wireless system if it is not properly sized for emergency communications.

Sincerely yours,



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